

# State of Iowa

## Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

### P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, THIS YEAR MARKS THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC SHOOTINGS AT VIRGINIA TECH; AND

WHEREAS, WE MUST ALWAYS REMEMBER AND HONOR THE 32 INNOCENT INDIVIDUALS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES DURING THIS HORRIFIC EVENT; AND

WHEREAS, THE VIRGINIA TECH SHOOTINGS BROUGHT BACK TRAGIC REMINDERS OF IOWA'S OWN TRAGEDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA IN 1991; AND

WHEREAS, JUST AS IN IOWA, THE FRIENDS OF VIRGINIA TECH HAVE SHOWN THE STRENGTH AND RESILIENCE THAT UNITES EVERY AMERICAN; AND

WHEREAS, AS A FORMER HOKIE, I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD THAT HOKIE NATION REFUSED TO LET THE SENSELESS ACTIONS OF ONE DIMINISH THE PRIDE AND SPIRIT OF ALL; AND

WHEREAS, ALL IOWANS JOIN WITH THE CITIZENS OF VIRGINIA AND HOKIES AROUND THE GLOBE IN CONTINUING TO EXPRESS OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE LOVED ONES WHO ARE STILL HEALING; AND

WHEREAS, ALL IOWANS ARE ENCOURAGED TO KEEP THE VICTIMS, AS WELL AS FAMILY AND FRIENDS, OF THIS TRAGEDY IN THEIR HEARTS AND PRAYERS:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHESTER J. CULVER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF IOWA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 16, 2009, AS

### VIRGINIA TECH REMEMBRANCE DAY


IN IOWA.



ATTEST:

  
MICHAEL A. MAURO  
SECRETARY OF STATE

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HERE-  
UNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND  
CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE  
OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES  
MOINES THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL IN THE  
YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND  
NINE.

  
CHESTER J. CULVER  
GOVERNOR OF IOWA